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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Action mailed October 15, 2004, applicant elects to prosecute the claims of Group 1, claims 2-6, without traverse. The Examiner is authorized to cancel the nonelected claims upon the indication of allowable subject matter without prejudice to the filing of a divisional application directed to the non-elected claims.

Early action allowing claims 2-6 is solicited.

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the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to **Deposit Account No. 03-1952** referencing docket no. <u>325772015900</u>.

Respectfully submitted,

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